

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q88235

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For: METHOD FOR SELECTING ESCHERICHIA COLI STRAIN WHICH HIGHLY  
EXPRESSES EXOGENOUS GENES, ESCHERICHIA COLI MUTANT STRAINS  
SELECTED BY THIS METHOD AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING ENZYMES AND  
COMPOUNDS USING THE SAME

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This communication is fully responsive to the Office Action of 31 January 2007.

It is not believed that any additional extensions of time are necessary beyond what may be submitted with this communication. If any additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required, including fees for net addition of claims, are hereby authorized to be charged to account number 19-4880.

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